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FROM: Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission,

Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00100 Rome, Italy

SUBJECT: Request for comments at Step 6 on the draft Codex Standards for:

1. Processed Tomato Concentrates (ALINORM 05/28/27, Appendix II),

2. Preserved Tomatoes (ALINORM 05/28/27, Appendix III) and

3. Certain Canned Citrus Fruit (ALINORM 05/28/27, Appendix IV).

DEADLINE: 30 November 2005

COMMENTS: To:

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BACKGROUND

- 1. The 22nd Session of the Codex Committee on Processed Fruits and Vegetables (September 2004) agreed to forward¹ the proposed draft Codex Standards for Processed Tomato Concentrates, Preserved Tomatoes and Certain Canned Citrus Fruits to the 28th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (July 2005) for adoption at Step 5. The Commission adopted the above texts at Step 5 and advanced them to Step 6². They will be considered by the 23rd Session of the Codex Committee on Processed Fruits and Vegetables (October 2006).
- 2. Codex Members and Observers wishing to submit comments at Step 6 on the draft Codex Standards for Processed Tomato Concentrates, Preserved Tomatoes and Certain Canned Citrus Fruits are invited to do so in conformity with the Uniform Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts of the Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual. Particular attention should be paid to those sections in square brackets in order to facilitate the discussion and finalization of the draft standards at the next session of the Committee.

ALINORM 05/28/41, paras. 48, 76 and 89 and Appendices II, III and IV respectively. Reports of Codex committee meetings including the report of the 28th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission and the latest version of the Procedural Manual can be downloaded from: http://www.codexalimentarius.net.

² ALINORM 05/28/41, para. 71 and Appendix VI.